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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Office action dated April 18, 2006 having a shortened statutory period for response that expired on July 18, 2006, which is extended two (2) months to September 18, 2006 pursuant to a request for an extension of time of two months filed herewith, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.